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A RECORD IN BRIBERY

Ontario Liberals Have Made It to Elect Their Candidate in London.

Bribed Voters Required to Commit Perjury So That Ballots Might Be Seen.

Returning Officers Described as Partisans Acting for Respondent at His Request.

Special to the Colonist.

Toronto, Nov. 9.—Particulars in the London election case filed by the Conservatives establish a new record in Ontario trials in so far as they contain 36 charges of bribery, and cite instances of offering meat, drink and refreshments in number over 500.

In one case money is said to have been given infants to influence fathers. Half a dozen agents are alleged to have conspired to get intending voters to swear that they, the voters, could not read or write, so that the ballots might be seen, ensuring that they would vote on the Liberal side as arranged, for which the voters are alleged to have received in some cases \$5 and \$3 in others.

Lawyers, doctors, manufacturers and relatives of Leys, the respondent, are named as distributors of money alleged to have been spent. A sweeping charge is made that over forty deputy returning officers were partisans, acting for the respondent at his request. The respondent, it is alleged, promised the local Jewish congregation money to erect a synagogue.

LIFE POLICIES AT AUCTION.

A Nebraska Suit to Restrain Sale Because a Menace to the Individuals.

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 3.—Suit with one of the most novel prayers that has been made in the records of the district court of Lancaster county was filed to-day by Attorneys Charles T. George K. and David W. Brown, known in business circles as the Brown Brothers. They ask Receiver Hill, of the Lincoln Savings Bank, to refrain from disposing of their insurance policies, held as collateral security, on the ground of jeopardy to their lives. The amount of the policies is between \$15,000 and \$25,000, in the Northwestern. Brown Bros. was a few years ago one of the largest grain buying and contracting firms in South-eastern Nebraska. They failed in business, and pledged their life insurance policies for a loan. The paper became an asset of the Lincoln Savings Bank, which in turn failed, and the receiver seeks to sell. The policies were made out in favor of the wives of the holders, but the plaintiffs allege that without possessing the right to change the beneficiaries, the receiver, notwithstanding the law prevents speculation in the life and death of individuals, is about to sell these policies to the highest bidder. They say they are paid only at the death of the assured, hence the claim is made that by transferring them to make away with the parties insured. It is alleged that one of the men with whom the receiver has been in communication regarding the matter is a money-lender. The fact that so great a sum of money might be obtained by the death of the plaintiffs, they assert, would afford a motive for bringing about the termination of their lives, and an injunction is asked.

NEWS OF VANCOUVER.

Golden Cache Directorate Troubled—Appeal for Equipment of Admiralty Court.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, Nov. 9.—J. M. McKinnon has resigned the presidency of the Golden Cache mines, this being the outcome of trouble between the directors. A meeting took place last night between the canners and fishermen to decide on the number of licenses that should be allowed to each cannery. They could not come to an agreement, the canners granting 20 licenses to each cannery and the fishermen 10. "The Pulse of New York" company did not make a favorable impression in Vancouver. This company is evidently trading on a name. Fortunately the audience was small. A benefit performance "A Model Fireman" was presented by the Lindy company last night in aid of the fire brigade. The house was packed to the doors. Through the enterprise of the city band a new opera house and dancing hall is to be erected in New Westminster. Though Vancouver has a judge in admiralty it is without the equipment of an admiralty court. Therefore when a case is tried here the sheriff and registrar have to be secured in Victoria. The board of trade will refer the matter to the proper department at Ottawa.

DEFENCE OF HALIFAX.

Imperial and Canadian Artillery to Work Together in the Forts There.

Halifax, Nov. 9.—(Special)—There is a defence scheme published by the war office which applies to each station of the British possessions. At Halifax it goes into consideration the services of the Canadian militia in case of hostilities and the First Regiment of Canadian artillery more particularly are apportioned to the forts at Halifax. General Lord Seymour has seen fit to make some changes in this defence scheme and intends to associate with the Canadian artillery in each fort a certain number of officers and men of the Royal artillery.

One hundred men of the First Regiment of Canadian artillery have been ordered to parade Wednesday night next for the purpose of trying the new scheme.

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NOTES FROM THE CAPITAL.

Two-Cent Rate Warning—Rearer Companies for Militia—Burlington's Gift to Forty-Third.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, Nov. 9.—Officials of the post office department are greatly annoyed over a paragraph sent out from Toronto stating that the two-cent letter rate to England went into force to-day, the date is of Wales' birthday. The new rate takes effect on Christmas Day, and any letters mailed before that date bearing only a two-cent stamp will be treated by the dead letter office in the usual way. The formation of a bearer company at Halifax proved so successful that the militia department will encourage their establishment in other cities. The post general order will contain authorization for a bearer company at Montreal. The citizens of Burlington are sending a silk Stars and Stripes to the 43rd battalion in appreciation of the visit of that regiment to Burlington on last Fourth of July.

ONLY SOBER PROVINCE

Quebec Grieved at the Hold of Alcoholism Upon the Rest of Canada.

If French Canadians Do Not Ask Prohibition Neither Do They Fill Penitentiaries.

Special to the Colonist.

Montreal, Nov. 9.—Le Soleil, replying to the W. C. T. U. resolution declaring that they would resist any attempt to direct social or moral government by a province which contains more people of ignorance and fewer of broad views on ethical problems, than any other province, says there is resentment of this statement among French-Canadians, and adds:

"Quebec is the only sober province which did not vote for prohibition. This only proves that alcoholism has made such progress in all the other provinces that they see no other way of eradicating the evil but by the complete prohibition of alcohol. "If French-Canadians give less attention to ethical questions than the English colonies of the W. C. T. U. they are also to be found less in their penitentiaries and prisons. "From Quebec to Gaspe there are probably not more than five prisoners in all told. In the province of Quebec there is less crime in proportion to the population than in any other Canadian province."

MR. MARTIN'S ASSISTANT.

Winnipeg Sorry to Lose the New Deputy Attorney-General.

Winnipeg, Nov. 9.—(Special)—M. A. McLean, chief clerk in the attorney-general's department, has announced that he has decided to accept the deputy attorney-generalship of British Columbia offered him by Hon. Jos. Martin. He leaves for the West on Saturday. The Tribune says: "Very general regret is felt by all concerned at Mr. McLean's decision to go to British Columbia. He was appointed deputy to the Hon. Jos. Martin shortly after that gentleman took the office of attorney-general of Manitoba and has proved a most efficient officer. His present salary is \$1,800, which is understood that his salary in his new office will be \$2,500. "Mr. McLean is also very popular apart from his success as a member of the staff of the provincial government and a member of the canoe club and other local organizations. He will be missed in South End circles and regret at his departure will be increased by the fact that he has to leave so soon."

MANITOBA AND NORTHWEST.

Negro Sentenced to Hang—Fire in Bookstore—Moderator of Synod.

Winnipeg, Nov. 9.—(Special)—The case of Mr. Justice Dubuc at the close of the Winnipeg assizes to-day was sentenced Paul Brown, the negro, to the penalty for the murder of William E. Burton. The execution is fixed for December 23, at the Winnipeg gaol. Brown evinced no surprise at the sentence and joked with the guard as he returned to jail from the court room. F. W. Scott and J. H. Ashdown are mentioned as probable candidates for the Winnipeg mayoralty.

Fire caused \$400 damage in Alex. Taylor's book store this morning.

Rev. Hugh McKay has been elected moderator of the Manitoba and Northwest Presbyterian synod.

Mr. McBride, of the Massey, Harris Company, Toronto, and Mrs. McBride will arrive here tomorrow on the way to Australia. Mr. McBride having been appointed manager of the company in that country.

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SPEECH BY SALISBURY

Lord Mayor's Banquet the Occasion of Important Review of Foreign Relations.

European War Was Very Near but by French Good Sense Has Been Averted.

Admirals' Diplomacy in Crete—No Egyptian Protectorate—Action Against Anarchists.

By Associated Press.

London, Nov. 9.—The annual banquet of the Lord Mayor of London took place at the Guildhall this evening. There were about 850 guests present, including members of the diplomatic corps, cabinet ministers and other distinguished people and their wives. After a formal reception in the library there was the usual procession to the great hall which served as the banquetting place.

After the usual loyal toasts, the Navy and Army were toasted, Admiral Sir William Kennedy and General Lord Wolsey responding for their respective forces, which were described as being in a perfect state of preparedness to meet any power disputing Great Britain's just claims. The brevity of the speeches showed that everyone realized there was general anxiety to hear THE MARQUIS OF SALISBURY, who on rising to respond to the toast of Her Majesty's ministers, was greeted with prolonged cheers. The Premier began by saying that a succession of events abroad had occasioned grave anxiety to the ministry for a year past. He alluded to the murder of the Emperor of Austria, for the double purpose of expressing the universal regret experienced on account of the crime, and of announcing that Great Britain had accepted an invitation to take part in a conference which would be called to determine upon the measures which it is possible to take in order to blot out anarchy. The Marquis of Salisbury added that at the same time he was bound to say he had no great hope that legislation would abate "this horrible monstrous affliction of humanity." After referring in a laudatory manner to the British campaigns in India and in the Sudan, the Premier turned to the Cretan question and said:

"THE CONCERT OF EUROPE. He said he was afraid that the proceedings of the concert were not always admired. At the same time, he pointed out, patient application, combined with the moral strength of Europe, has at last succeeded in fulfilling the promise to the Cretans to give them autonomy under the suzerainty of the Sultan. Continuing, the Premier remarked: "The solution of this most difficult problem has witnessed displays of splendid and unexceptional qualities of diplomacy upon the part of the admirals who have successfully accomplished what the cabinets of Europe had been unable to do. I have sometimes thought that cabinets were all dismissed and admirals were installed in their places, Europe would get on better. Turning to

"THE CHAIRS WITH FRANCE," the Premier remarked: "We had quite recently to consider whether the question of European war was not very near. But with great interest and consideration the result has turned out happily through the great judgment and common sense displayed by France, under circumstances of unusual difficulty, which I think have relieved Europe of a very dangerous and threatening storm. While matters were in suspense the government was necessarily forced to take precautions that it should not have been taken unawares. These precautions were most prompt and effective, but the immediate necessity for them has passed off. There has been some surprise on both sides of the Channel at the fact that these preparations have not suddenly ceased, but it is impossible to stop them at a moment's notice." After referring to the various rumors of intended action arising out of these preparations, including the seizure of Syria and Crete, and the declaration of

"PROTECTORATE OVER EGYPT," mention of the latter being greeted with immense cheering, Lord Salisbury continued: "I am sorry I cannot rise to the height of the aspirations indicated by the cheering of the audience. I do not venture to prophesy what would happen if we were forced by others into a position we do not now occupy, or what may occur, but we are well satisfied with the existing state of things, and we do not think any cause has arisen to necessitate effort on our part at present to modify it. The position causes occasional friction, but taking the question as a whole, and considering the feelings of other people as well as our own, we can reasonably rest for the

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By Associated Press.

Washington, Nov. 9.—A list of congressmen elected compiled from returns to the Associated Press up to 11 o'clock shows that the Republicans have elected 180 members, while the Democrats, Silver Republicans, Fusionists and all others have elected 165 members. There are 12 doubtful districts yet to be heard from.

The election returns establish with certainty that the United States senate will have a Republican majority after March 4 next. The analysis of the party changes shows that the Republicans gain seven seats from the Democrats in California, Delaware, Indiana, New Jersey, New York, North Dakota and Wisconsin; and one from the Populists in Nebraska; they may lose one from Washington, which is in doubt, and gain one from West Virginia, which is also in doubt. The political divisions of the senate after March 4 will be: Republicans, 52; Democrats, 27; Populists, 5; Silver Republicans, 4; in doubt, 2.

San Francisco, Nov. 9.—California has gone to the Republican column with more emphasis than ever before. The entire state ticket, with the exception of the secretary of state, has been elected according to Republican claims. It will be several days before the complete figures are received. The Republicans claim all seven congressmen and the legislature.

Lincoln, Nov. 9.—Belated returns to-day continue to indicate that Nebraska has turned a political somersault and landed in the Republican column. In 317 precincts outside of Lincoln and Omaha, Hayward, Republican for governor, has a plurality. If these gains are maintained, Hayward will carry the state by over 4,000.

Denver, Col., Nov. 9.—The entire Fusion ticket, headed by Charles S. Thomas, Democrat for governor, is elected by a majority approximating 50,000.

Salt Lake, Utah, Nov. 9.—The Democrats have elected Roberts to congress and carried the legislature, which will elect a United States senator.

Philadelphia, Nov. 9.—The delegation from Pennsylvania in the new congress will comprise 21 Republicans and 9 Democrats—a Democratic gain of 6. Tone, Republican, has carried the city by 85,000, while his plurality in the state outside of Philadelphia city will probably run the Republican plurality to 150,000 over Jenks, Democrat.

Wilmington, Nov. 9.—Complete returns received this morning show that the next legislature of Delaware is almost purely Republican in each branch, and certainly Republican on the joint ballot.

Columbus, Nov. 9.—Additional returns to-day do not materially change 60,000 of a Republican plurality on the Ohio state ticket, and 15 Republicans to 6 Democratic congressmen.

Boise, Nov. 9.—For the first time in the history of Idaho, women voted for congressmen and state officers. In view of the isolation of many places, accurate returns are not yet available.

Boston, Nov. 9.—With only two small towns to hear from, Bruce, Democrat for governor of Massachusetts, has 103,895; Wolcott, Republican, 190,238.

NEW YORK'S CONTEST.
New York, Nov. 9.—Revised returns give no change from those last night, which showed the election of Col. Roosevelt by a plurality of from 18,000 to 20,000 over Augustus Van Wyck, Democrat.

The state congressional delegation will probably stand 15 Republicans to 19 Democrats, a Democratic gain of 12. In old New York city (Manhattan borough) no Republican has been returned, and a notable feature of the election was the defeat by Captain Wm. Astor Chandler of Lemuel E. Quigg for congress in the 14th district.

Richard Croker made his appearance at Tammany hall shortly after noon to-day and when asked for an interview upon the result of the election said: "I am entirely satisfied with the vote in New York county. The Democracy did its full duty here, and if there had not been a Republican landslide upon the state Van Wyck would have been elected. I thought I had reason to hope that Roosevelt would come down to the Harlem with 40,000 or 50,000 majority, but of course there was no hope of overcoming the 105,000 plurality that the Republicans got above the Harlem. Comparatively speaking, we did better in this county than we did a year ago. As to our judiciary ticket, it made a splendid record and really helped the state ticket. Our three candidates for justice of the supreme court secured almost the same number of votes. I never saw three candidates run so evenly. The howl about an honest judiciary, therefore, had no effect whatever on the campaign. Results show that the people understood just what they were about. Another thing the Republicans tried to make sound money a prominent issue of the campaign, yet we elected all our congressional candidates and gained two congressmen in Brooklyn. That is all the sound money issue amounted to in this city. The fact is that Roosevelt's military record pulled him through. It seems that any man with a Cuban war record can win this year. See how Chanler beat Quigg. His record in Cuba helped him to wipe out Quigg's majority of 1896."

Augustus Van Wyck when seen at his

home in Brooklyn to-day refused to discuss the result of the election with reporters and replied to all inquiries: "I have nothing to say."

WAR UPON BLACKS.

North Carolina Citizens Resolved on
White Race Henceforth—Black
Labor Boycotted.

Washington, Nov. 9.—A despatch to the State from Wilmington, N.C., gives the details of a mass meeting of six hundred citizens of that city at the court house there to-day "to assert the supremacy of the white man." Ex-Representative Waddell presided and read a series of resolutions rectifying the determination of the white people to force the city and to commence the work immediately, declaring that hereafter white labor should be given preference over black and calling for the banishment of Alex. Manley, the negro newspaper publisher, who printed an objectionable editorial recently.

An amendment was offered calling on the mayor and chief of police and board of aldermen to vacate their offices now instead of waiting until their terms expire in March.

These resolutions were referred to a committee and while awaiting its report several speeches were made, one of the speakers, Representative-elect Belamy, urging the expulsion of Manley in thirty-two hours but counselling moderation in other respects.

The committee reported its conclusions favoring the expulsion of Manley as proposed, and urging the employment of white labor as far as possible, and reciting that the mayor and chief of police having demonstrated their incompetency and their continuance in office being a menace, they should resign. The report was unanimously adopted and a committee of 25 was appointed to carry into effect the resolution adopted.

It is understood that Manley has already left the city. The mayor and chief of police say they will not resign as the resolutions call for, but will serve their terms.

FRANCE MAKES A SHOW.

Though Not Prepared to Fight the
British She Puts Her Fleet
in Evidence.

By Associated Press.

Cairo, Nov. 9.—Major Marchand and Capt. Barriat start for Fashoda on Thursday or Friday to carry out the evacuation of that place by the French, which will retire by way of Abyssinia to Djibouti, a six months' journey.

London, Nov. 10.—The Rome correspondent of the Daily Mail says: "It is asserted positively that Major Marchand has been ordered to communicate with Emperor Menelik of Abyssinia, and that France is now intriguing with that monarch."

THE FRENCH FLEET.

Paris, Nov. 9.—The Echo de Paris to-day publishes a despatch from Toulon, which says the entire French Mediterranean squadron is ready for sea. It adds that Admiral Fournier, as commander, received a cipher despatch yesterday evening, whereupon he signalled to the Forbin, a third-class cruiser, to bank her fires; and the fastest torpedo boat conveyed orders to the admiral commanding the squadron of French cruisers and torpedo boats to assemble immediately at Toulon, where all the vessels are prepared for action, and where the arsenal and ship yards have been worked all night. It later developed that Admiral Fournier had been summoned to Paris.

M. Lockroy, minister of marine, says that there is not any truth in the rumors published by the Echo de Paris, but despite this denial there is little doubt that the news of French naval preparations is in the main correct. Admiral Fournier has increased the French fleet to the extent of a thousand million francs, which will be obtained by a conversion of rentes into 2 1/2 per cent.

The admirals, it is understood, have reported all the coast defenses in a complete state of readiness. At Algiers there is the greatest activity. All the forts have been fully manned and the defenses improved.

Admiral Gervais has fallen ill from overwork in connection with the preparations.

BLOODSHED IN TEXAS.
Fatal Election Affrays in Several
Counties—Five Killed at
One Place.

By Associated Press.

Dallas, Nov. 9.—Yesterday was a bloody election day in Texas. At Hubbard, Stevens county, R. McCarthy, Jos. Ramby and Jefferson Squires were killed and J. F. McCarthy and Riley Squires probably mortally wounded, in an election quarrel.

At Steuben, Hopkins county, R. E. Sutton and Geo. Young were killed. Wm. Young is in jail as a party to the killing of Sutton, who had murdered Young's brother.

At Aubrey, Denton county, Deputy Sheriff B. Taylor was shot through the neck by L. Webb and dangerously wounded. He shot Webb through the leg.

At Ashfield, Trinity county, J. W. Ashfield was killed and his father probably fatally wounded by persons whose names have not been learned.

Many more affrays occurred in various parts of the state at the result of differences.

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Boys' Mackintoshes, \$3.50. McCand
less Bros Oak Hall.

DOMINION NEWS NOTES

Nova Scotia Schooner Sighted Bot-
tom Up—Collapse of Bridge
at St. John.

Two Years for Starving a Baby—
New Indian Agents—Street
Railway Strikers.

Special to the Colonist.

HUGH JOHN MACDONALD.
Winnipeg, Nov. 9.—The Conservatives of Glenboro will tender a complimentary banquet to Hugh John Macdonald on the 16th inst.

WHEAT MOVING.
Winnipeg, Nov. 9.—Wheat deliveries at C.P.R. points yesterday totalled 182,700 bushels, the largest of the season.

NEW INDIAN AGENTS.
Winnipeg, Nov. 9.—Geo. Gibbons, an old Edmonton settler, has been appointed Indian agent in Edmonton district in place of Agent Decazes, who died a few months ago.

W. B. Goodfellow has been appointed Indian agent at Carleton, north of Duck Lake, to take the place of Hilton Keith, who resigned recently.

STARVED A BABY.
Toronto, Nov. 9.—Mrs. Beasey, who kept a maternity hospital or baby farm, has been convicted of manslaughter in causing the death of the child of Mary McGavin. The prisoner, practically starved the infant to death. She was sentenced to two years' imprisonment.

STREET RAILWAY STRIKE.

London, Nov. 9.—The following settlement of the strike has been offered by the street railway company and refused by the men: "The company offers to pay 13 cents an hour for the first year, 14 for the second year and 15 for the third year, the hours to be arranged by the men themselves. "Upon this basis," says Manager Carr, "fifty-seven men could start work at 14 cents, seven at 15 cents and the remainder at 13 cents. Many of these within the next month will be increased by reason of the length of service. This rate is higher than in any city of London's size in Canada." The men demand the same rate as paid in Toronto, where the earnings are 60 per cent. more per mile than in London.

BRIDGE FALLS.
St. John, Nov. 9.—The southern abutment of the steel bridge over the river at Ferry Point gave way yesterday, carrying with it the bridge and a large piece of the railway now being constructed across it to Calais.

SCHOONER AND CREW LOST.
Halifax, Nov. 9.—Capt. Morris, of the ship Fred E. Scammell, writes from Parrsboro that the schooner Lakota was passed bottom up in latitude 30 north, longitude 10 west. There is no doubt her whole crew was drowned. The Lakota was built at Port Greville two years ago and was commanded by Capt. D. Blake, of Parrsboro, son of the owner. The crew shipped in the West Indies.

A BOAT RACE.
Halifax, Nov. 9.—Michael Lynch, of Halifax, and Harry Vail, of St. John, rowed their second scull race on Bedford Basin this morning. Lynch was the favorite, having had his boat upset in the first race. The distance was three miles with a turn, for \$150 a side. Vail won by half a length after a close contest.

COMMISSION AT WASHINGTON.
Belief That a Treaty Respecting
Canadian-American Issues Will
Result.

Washington, Nov. 9.—The joint high commission to confer on questions at issue between the United States and the Dominion of Canada will meet in Washington to-morrow. It is believed the forthcoming sessions of the international arbitrators will conclude the business before the commission and that a formal treaty covering all the points decided with regard to closer relations between Canada and the United States will result.

The meetings of the commission are held behind closed doors and only meagre reports of the progress made are given out for publication. Ex-Secretary of State John W. Foster to-day said that the work was in hand, and although no progress had been made since the adjournment in Quebec. The discussion is to be taken up where it was interrupted.

POOL ON IMMIGRANTS.
Transcontinental Railways Combine to
Regulate This Traffic to North-
west.

Buffalo, Nov. 9.—An important conference of the passenger representatives of American and Canadian railroads opened at the Iroquois hotel in this city to-day. The representation was big, the principal roads in both countries having delegates present. The purpose of the meeting is to improve the transcontinental passenger situation, to settle differences existing between American lines and the Canadian roads, to properly maintain rates and to adopt a uniform system of handling the immigrant traffic from Europe to United States and Canadian points.

The Canadian Pacific has recently been granted representation in the immigrant bureau at New York and has become a strong competitor for this traffic to Northwest points, and it is more or less the intention to practically pool this issue, thus giving each line a proportionate division. To-day's meeting was devoted to routine matters. The important work of the conference will begin to-morrow.

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SPEECH BY SALISBURY.

(Continued From Page One.)

present with the existing state of affairs. I must not be understood as meaning that Great Britain's position in Egypt is not the same now as it was before the fall of Omdurman, but we earnestly hope that the circumstances will not make it necessary materially to modify this position, as we are convinced the world would not then go on so peaceably as now." Referring again to the war preparations and asking his hearers to look at the state of "the world, Lord Salisbury observed: "The Czar has invited a congress to provide for the disarmament of the world, but while we offer our heartiest tribute to his motives, and are willing to assist and sympathize in every way, until the happy day when his aspirations are crowned with success, we must still provide precautions needful to counteract the dangers surrounding us. In some respects this crisis—the great epoch in the history of man—is marked by unhappy omens."

"It is the first year in which the mighty force of the American republic has been introduced among nations whose dominions are expanding and whose instruments to a certain extent are warlike. I am not implying the slightest blame. Far from it. I am not refusing sympathy to the American republic in the difficulties through which it has passed, but no one can deny its appearance among factors Asiatic at all events, possibly in European diplomacy, is a fact which will not be without its influence on the interests of peace, though I think in any event it is likely to conduce to the interests of Great Britain. (Applause.)

"But what has been impressed upon us is that the subject matter of war is largely a question of sides. We see that in the present state of the world, the power of self defence now retain the affection of its subjects; and when this occurs there are always neighbors impelled by some motive—it may be the desire for conquest, it may be the natural desire for empire—to contest as to who shall be heir to the falling nation; and that is the cause of war." Lord Salisbury then alluded to the rapidity and unexpectedness with which wars break out and said: "If Great Britain should ever come near her."

SEA DEFENCES.
To weaken her whole empire would come clattering down to the ground. It is therefore impossible in the present state and temper of the world to intermit our naval and military precautions."

He concluded by repudiating "all suggestions that our preparations mean that the country is actually in a state of war, or that the love of war, declaring that Great Britain was only 'resolved to maintain the empire Britons have received from their forefathers and to support the peace which is the glory and sustenance of our empire."

The grand question for the entire assembly marked the conclusion of the Premier's speech.

WAR CLOUD HOVERING.
The Duke of Devonshire, president of the council, said in the course of his speech in reply to the toast to Her Majesty's ministers: "There is no reason to desist from the work of strengthening our naval forces and general defenses, since the English fleet is an incident in a much larger question."

This expresses the prevalent feeling throughout England and there can be no doubt that Lord Salisbury's speech, pacific as it appears, will be received with much enthusiasm by the States, and that a peace will not be concluded, for it is held that Spain and the United States are bound to agree sooner or later, though now it is said that Spain requires a solution of \$150,000,000 for the Philippines, while the United States offers \$50,000,000, and the demand for the Spanish domestic situation that inspires alarm. Senor Sagasta's government is tottering. Anarchy, civil war and military dictatorship are candidates for the succession to parliamentary government. Meanwhile Catalonia and two other provinces are loudly demanding separation. France views the situation with apprehension, and even with alarm."

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AN ANSWER TO SPAIN.

Her Arguments as to Philippines
Refuted in Detail by Amer-
ican Commissioners.

Paris Reports American Offer of
Fifty Thousand—Spain Men-
aced by Anarchy.

By Associated Press.

Paris, Nov. 9.—At to-day's session of the peace commission, the Americans presented the answer of the United States to the claims submitted on Friday last on behalf of Spain. The document consisted of many sheets of typewritten matter, and was a refutation of the Spanish allegation that because the words "possession," "ownership," or "cession" do not occur in the protocol clause touching upon the Philippine islands, the peace commissioners have not the right to discuss them here, and that even if they did so it must be in the light of the alleged fact of an exterior agreement that Spain's sovereignty should not be impaired.

The Americans also answered Spain's claim for the restitution to her of public money and customs collections taken by the United States officials since the capitulation of Manila, and made reply to Spain's claim for an indemnity on account of the alleged imprisonment by the United States authorities of the Spanish troops at Manila, and for their consequent restraint from being of service to Spain in the suppression of the insurrection and the preservation of property. To those points the Americans had prepared an exhaustive reply yesterday which, though not fully typewritten at the time fixed for the meeting of Tuesday, would have been submitted to the Spanish states at 4 p.m. yesterday had it not been that the commissioners of Spain refused to meet at that hour, pleading other engagements as an excuse for their refusal.

The American commissioners held that there was justification under the terms of the protocol for the discussion of the future of the Philippine islands, and they also claimed that the occupation of Manila is a military occupation, which justifies the United States in collecting the revenues, administering the government and exercising all the functions of possession.

The joint session was short because Senor Montero Rios and Judge Day concurred in the service of American rejoinder upon the Spanish commissioners without a formal reading of the paper, which would occupy many columns of an ordinary newspaper, and an adjournment was taken until Saturday.

It is quite safe to say that the Americans have made no new propositions regarding the possession of the Philippines, but confined themselves to a discussion of the propositions and assertions made by Spain at the previous meeting. Just what were the terms of the American rejoinder cannot of course be ascertained; but despite persistent assertions here to the contrary, there is no ground for the Spanish contention that the United States acquiesced at the signing of the protocol in some reservation by Spain of her Philippine sovereignty.

London, Nov. 10.—The Paris correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says: "There is much anxiety in government circles here as to the Spanish situation. The chief reason for this anxiety is that a peace will not be concluded, for it is held that Spain and the United States are bound to agree sooner or later, though now it is said that Spain requires a solution of \$150,000,000 for the Philippines, while the United States offers \$50,000,000, and the demand for the Spanish domestic situation that inspires alarm. Senor Sagasta's government is tottering. Anarchy, civil war and military dictatorship are candidates for the succession to parliamentary government. Meanwhile Catalonia and two other provinces are loudly demanding separation. France views the situation with apprehension, and even with alarm."

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AGRICULTURE.

The committee of the board of agriculture, to whom was referred the question of brown rot (*Monilia Fructigena*) in plums has reported as follows:

Plum and prune-growing in British Columbia, especially on the Lower Mainland, is a very important branch of its horticultural industry, and has been profitable by reason of immunity from pests and diseases which have rendered the production of the finer varieties of these fruits in other portions of the Dominion unremunerative, if not impossible, and because a large and constantly increasing market was available for good fruit in the provinces and the territories of the Canadian Northwest. This province has not suffered from the ravages of the curculio or black rot. This freedom from disease and insect pests, coupled with the climatic advantages, has induced orchardists and farmers to plant out large numbers of the best known varieties of plums and prunes; the production of fruit is yearly increasing, as these orchards come into bearing, and the trees are generally healthy. Unfortunately, the disease known as brown rot, an insidious enemy of the fruit, which will be more particularly described later on in this report, made its appearance in recent years on the Lower Mainland.

Other portions of the Pacific Coast, notably the Willamette valley in Oregon, have suffered severely, and had a very serious visitation last year, when the growers in certain sections lost nearly the entire crop of plums and prunes.

From the most reliable information at hand we gather that Oregon has to a large extent been exempt from the brown rot this year; not so, however, with the Lower Mainland of British Columbia, where the great loss has been sustained.

The peculiarities of the past season have proved to be extremely favorable to the development of this disease. The month of June was unusually wet, and was followed by a warm, sultry July, producing conditions most favorable for its spread. It is to be hoped that a general adoption of the preventive measures, which are herewith recommended, will result in the destruction of the sources of infection and reduce the loss of fruit from this cause in the future to a minimum.

Brown rot (*Monilia Fructigena*) affects all kinds of stone fruits, and is well known in the Eastern provinces, besides the states of Oregon and Washington and British Columbia, causing more or less loss, as the seasons are favorable to its development or otherwise. Warm, moist weather at the time the fruit is about full grown will almost certainly develop the disease to a very large extent in districts subject to its attacks, when measures of a preventive nature have been neglected, and cause the loss of a large portion of the crop.

The ash-colored, velvety coating or mould seen on plums infected with the disease, shows the final or fruiting stage of development. If examined with the pocket lens this mould will be seen to consist of numerous tufts of minute thread-like projections, and if further examined under a compound microscope it will be seen that each of these "minute threads" is composed of a number of small oval bodies joined end to end like a string of beads. These bead-like bodies are the spores of the fungus, and each infected fruit is capable of producing them in thousands.

These spores may remain unchanged for a great length of time, or on the other hand, they may when conditions are favorable to them, germinate and grow so rapidly that infected fruit soon becomes capable of producing fresh crops of spores. Through the agency of winds, insects, etc., spores are distributed widely, and when caught on the leaf of a tree sufficiently soft, and when moisture is present, it starts the disease again, sending out a germinating tube which penetrates the skin of the fruit; here it grows rapidly, branching through the pulp in all directions, forming a dense mass of mycelium, which absorbs the contents of the cells of the fruit, disorganizing the tissues and causing the so-called "brown rot."

Infected fruit trees turn brown in spots, which gradually enlarge until the whole fruit becomes brown and rotten, and in its turn becomes covered with fruiting spores.

The mycelium or plant body of the fungus remains dormant during the winter in the dried or mummified plums which are left on trees infected with the disease, or on the ground beneath them, and when warm weather comes the following season will produce an abundant crop of spores to start infection afresh.

In dealing with this disease it will be easily seen that the most successful treatment will necessarily be of a preventative nature. It is usually first noticed in the season of cherries, especially on soft varieties, which burst their skins after a rainstorm, such as the Governor Wood, and undoubtedly infected fruits which are left to dry up on these trees are a fertile source of infection to plums later in the season. Great care should be taken to gather and burn these, and also the first infected mouldy fruit noticed on plum trees. In orchards which have been infected this season the first thing to be done is to pick off as soon as possible in the fall all dried up or mummified fruit which may have been left on the trees; then with a fine toothed garden rake gather together all fruit that may have fallen on the ground, together with fallen leaves and trash and burn up all these sources of infection, after which the trees should be thoroughly sprayed with bordeaux mixture of double strength, namely, eight pounds sulphate of copper, eight pounds lime and fifty gallons water; the ground beneath the trees should also be well sprayed with the mixture. This should be followed by a thorough spraying with No. 1 mixture of lime, salt and sulphur spray during the dormant season, both of the trees and the ground beneath them.

In the spring the spraying of the trees with bordeaux mixture of the ordinary strength should be commenced as soon as growth starts, and at least two sprayings given after the blossoms have fallen.

If there is reason to expect an attack of the disease after the fruit has attained its size and before ripening, spray No. 10, the carbonate of copper spray, should be carefully used, as at this stage the fruit is particularly liable to be infected. Cherry trees should be carefully sprayed with double strength bordeaux mixture as the cones begin to form, while the trees are dormant, and in the spring the trees

should be sprayed with bordeaux mixture of ordinary strength when growth commences, and again after the fruit has formed.

In Oregon it is stated by Prof. Cordell "that now the disease is well established among plum and cherry growers who fail to employ preventive measures against brown rot deliberately takes the chance of losing a large proportion of his crop, even though such loss may not occur every year;" and this statement applies with the same force in Lower British Columbia.

In selecting and picking fruit for market too much care cannot be exercised to exclude not only infected fruit, but all that which has been in contact with it, and it has been amply demonstrated that this season almost the entire crop of some badly infected orchards was unfit for shipment. A good deal of the loss experienced this season was due to the development of the disease in the packages en route to market, the temperature inside cars filled with fruit being high enough and sufficient moisture present to furnish favorable conditions for the spread of the rot to a large portion of the shipment.

In a recent communication to the board of horticulture, Mr. Williamson, editor of the Oregon Agriculturist, writes in reference to the experience of prune shippers last season from that state as follows:

Portland, Ore., Oct. 23, 1898.
R. M. Palmer, Esq., Victoria, B. C.
Dear Sir,—There were several hundred carloads of fresh Italian prunes shipped East from Oregon last year. Almost without exception, refrigerator cars with ice were used. There was much complaint from the East that prunes shipped from this state spoiled soon after arrival. I have no doubt that the principal cause of this was the principal cause of their spoilage. Prunes taken through in a refrigerator car would arrive cold and damp, and would introduce into warm air moisture would of course condense from the air upon the fruit until the temperature of the latter approximated that of the air. With sufficient warmth and moisture the brown rot would of course spread very rapidly among fruit infected with it.

Yours sincerely,
H. M. WILLIAMSON.
And in reference to shipments made this season:

Portland, Ore., Oct. 18, 1898.
R. M. Palmer, Esq., Victoria, B. C.

Dear Sir,—I have not heard of any complaint of brown rot developing in fruit shipped this year, except to a small extent among peaches. Practically all of the fresh fruit shipped to points East of the Rocky Mountains (apples and pears excepted) goes in refrigerator cars. The bulk of the shipments of plums and prunes to the East this season have been made from the dry districts in which the brown rot is not complained of. Fortunately, we had very little damp weather here during July, August and the first half of September. After the rains began the weather service men advised that the rot did not develop rapidly and very little damage was done.

Yours, etc.,
H. M. WILLIAMSON.

In making improvements on the methods of shipping plums and prunes to the markets of the Northwest, the experience which shows that the disease could be made use of in British Columbia. It is very evident that shipping in refrigerator cars to distant markets, although delaying the development of the disease, does not prevent it later on if the germs of the rot are present and indicates that the greatest care must be taken not to ship even slightly infected fruit under any conditions.

All of which is respectfully submitted.
H. M. PALMER.
THOMAS CUNNINGHAM.
Office of the Provincial Board of Horticulture, Victoria, November 2, 1898.

NAVAL CHURCH CONCERT.
Wesleyans Have a Good Time at Blue Ribbon Hall, Esquimalt.

One of a series of entertainments held during the winter months, under the auspices of the ladies' committee of the Wesleyan naval church, Esquimalt, proved a great success last evening. The Blue Ribbon hall was tastefully decorated by the blue-jackets, with flags and bunting, which were kindly lent by Captain Adair, of the flagship Imperieuse. The tea preceding the meeting was largely attended by sailors and marines from the fleet of all arms and ranks, from the old and medalled grey-bearded seamen down to the boys lately from England on their first foreign station. Twelve were the long tables filled with service men and civilians, who seemed to greatly enjoy the splendid tea provided. A large audience listened to the programme, which was well rendered and brought out the number of items. The proceedings were closed by the usual vote of thanks. Following was the programme:

Piano Solo Miss Houghton
Prayer Rev. Geo. Swinerton
Song Mr. Lowton
Mandolin Solo Mr. Cheek
Song Miss Houghton
Duet Messrs. Rouson and Moss
Variation Mr. Prior
Recitation Rev. Mr. Barracough
Lello Solo Mr. George Wood
Song Mr. Croxford
Song Mr. Back
Recitation Mr. Byers
Song Mr. Yates
Duet Misses Houghton
Song Mr. Smith
Song Mr. Rouson
Song Mr. Townsend
Song Mr. Sargent
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The "Big Four" in Jubilee Songs Selected
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Recitation—"David's Promise" Con Murphy
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Vocal Solo Mr. James Pilling
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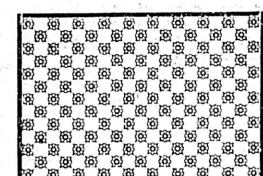
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GOVERNMENT BY TENDER.

The suggestion is sometimes made that it would be a good plan to put the government by tender to the lowest bidder. The P. R. P.'s are moving in that direction. In the last Gazette there appears a notice inviting in the following language:

All persons interested in obtaining government aid for roads, trails, or bridges are requested to send to the department of lands and works the following information:

1. Description of work desired.
2. Reasons that make the work desirable.
3. In case of roads or trails a rough sketch of roads and trails in the neighborhood of the proposed work.
4. Estimate of cost.
5. Information as to whether any persons or companies to be benefited are willing to pay any part of the cost.

The News-Advertiser, in commenting upon this, complains that the late government never did anything of this nature. This is true, and our contemporary would probably be unable to discover any government in any part of the British Empire that ever did. Such a notice is another illustration of the correctness of our contemporary's position when it announced that the principles of the British constitution did not apply to British Columbia.

This new departure is directly at variance with the whole British system of parliamentary government, because it seeks to deprive members of the legislature of their representative capacity. Hitherto in British Columbia, and at present in every other part of the Empire, the member for a constituency is the channel through whom the people communicate their wishes to the government. Mr. Semlin's cabinet proposes to ignore the members entirely. They are wholly ignored in the notice. If the public were invited to send their representations to the department of lands and works through their representative in the legislature, the case would not be so glaring. But nothing of the sort is proposed, and if hereafter any member is unwise enough to make any suggestions as to what his constituents require, he is likely to be met with a host of applications of which he has never heard. The late government received most of its suggestions as to public works through the members of the legislature. In some instances the necessity for public expenditures was brought to the notice of ministers in the course of their ordinary routine work, but as a rule the members of the house on both sides of politics were asked what their respective constituencies needed, and an effort was made as far as possible to comply with their requests. This is the British system of carrying on affairs, and it prevails in all parts of the Empire where the British constitution is in operation. It has proved sufficient for the requirements of this province, which has seen large sums of money expended in public works in a manner that has given profound satisfaction in all sections and has contributed immensely to its material advancement.

The new system is of a piece with the other changes inaugurated by the P. R. P.'s. It will not fail to be unpopular. It is unjust to the representatives of the people. It will lead to confusion and disappointment and to the employment of improper influences.

THE DISPOSAL OF CROWN LANDS.

In the reference to the disposal of Crown lands made in yesterday's Colonist brief mention was made of the principle which the plan suggested was designed to carry into effect. This principle has three aspects.

The public domain should only be sold to those who will make an immediate beneficial use of it.

Any person desiring to make immediate beneficial use of any portion of the public domain should be allowed to do so.

When any of the public domain is sold, the utmost publicity should be given to the sale, so that as good a price as possible may be obtained and the rights of persons in possession may be protected. Some modifications might be advisable in the plan suggested, but something based upon the general lines proposed in yesterday's article would unquestionably promote the three aspects of the case above specified. It would place all men upon an equal footing. It is further suggested that in any new act framed for the disposal of Crown lands there should be a provision expressly divesting the Crown of any prerogative right to part with the lands. The claim is made, and there may be some foundation for it, that although the legislature has directed how lands may be disposed of, there is nothing in any law to prevent the Crown, that is the government for the time being, from disposing of the public domain in some other way, the idea being that the Crown cannot be divested of its prerogative rights except by special legislation. If this is good law in regard to the Crown lands, it ought to be altered, for although no harm has come to the province by reason of it, no one can foretell what may happen.

COURTESY TO THE PRESS.

No invitations were given to the press to attend a banquet to the Earl of Aberdeen on the eve of his departure from Ottawa. His Excellency, with his fine sense of justice, atoned for the conduct of the committee as far as he was able by furnishing the Citizen with a copy of his speech. There was a case somewhat similar in Victoria not very long ago. It is about time that the press of Canada stood upon its dignity in these matters, by ignoring those functions, the managers of which ignore the press. Half the entertainments to distinguished people are got up by men who are desirous of the eclat, that will attach to the association of their names with them. When the motive is a higher one, the whole object sought would in nine cases out of ten be defeated without the co-operation of the press. No one can lay down a hard and fast rule to be followed in every case. There are occasions when complimentary invitations ought to be extended to the newspapers. There are others when the newspapers ought to be asked to subscribe to the fund for the banquet or other function. The money side of the question cuts no figure at all. The reference is not to the editors of papers. If they participate in a public function of any kind they do so just as any other citizens do. They would not consider themselves under any obligation to report the proceedings, any more than a lawyer would expect to draw up any papers in connection with the matter, or a physician to prescribe for any one of the guests, who might happen to feel ill. The reference is not to the newspapers as exponents of public opinion, but as purveyors of news. The press has the remedy in its own hands for any discourtesy extended to it in that way, and ought to apply it.

THE ADVANCEMENT OF VICTORIA.

It is quite true, as some correspondents point out, that more is needed to advance Victoria than good streets and a more satisfactory system of city government, but this is no argument against the suggested improvements. The promoters of the effort to bring about municipal reform do not claim that their proposals cover all that the city requires. They recognize that they are dealing with only one phase of a large question, but at the same time a phase which touches every resident of the city, and is likely to be productive of far-reaching results. The Colonist hopes that the co-operation of citizens to promote municipal progress is only a prelude to co-operation on business lines for the promotion of material progress. The most gratifying feature in connection with the present movement is that it is enlisting the intelligent interest of so many and such a variety of people. The effort should be to keep interest from lagging. A gentleman, who has resided in Victoria for a long time, said to the Colonist yesterday that previous attempts to promote municipal reform were allowed to die out through lack of interest. This is apt to be the case when no one has any special object in keeping the movement alive. A special effort ought to be made to prevent local history from repeating itself in this matter. The Colonist, and doubtless the Times, will do its share, but the public must realize that without assistance the most versatile writer on municipal affairs, the most astute observer of things calculated to promote business expansion, will after a time cease to be able to arouse public interest. Nothing will be of more advantage to the city at this time than many short letters from different people.

The Mail and Empire speaks disapprovingly of a disposition on the part of the government to use the bench as a political prize. All thoughtful citizens will agree that this is a very objectionable practice. That judgments will usually be filled by supporters of the dominant party may be taken for granted, although there have been conspicuous exceptions in Canada under the Conservative regime. Instances could also be cited where Sir John Macdonald offered judgments to political opponents, but it would be impossible to cite a case where he considered the judicial office a political prize. As a professional prize to be conferred upon deserving members of his political party, or if it were more in the public interest, upon political opponents, was Sir John's conception of the judicial position, and it is one that ought to be recognized by all political parties. It is not desirable in the interest of that respect which ought to be extended towards the courts, to specify any instances in which this salutary rule has been departed from.

Prof. Petrie's discoveries in Egypt of a prehistoric race, to which he assigns an antiquity of about 6,000 years, opens a door for much speculation. The structure of the skeletons leads Prof. Petrie to think the race distinct from any which lived in the Nile valley during the historic age. The people were not large, being about of the same average as modern Frenchmen. There is considerable variation in size, notably among the men, the women being more nearly uniform. As it is a rule that savage races vary little in size among adults, for the reason that all the people live under much the same conditions, the diversity in stature in these remains indicates that the race, to which they belong, had attained considerable progress in civilization. Investigation is gradually pushing the childhood of humanity further into the background, but it may be interesting to mention that Prof. Petrie's very ancient friends have no more trace of a tall than the most up-to-date end-of-the-century baby.

There is some talk in the Eastern press about Anticosti. Perhaps it may

be well to remind readers that Anticosti is a large island in the mouth of the St. Lawrence river. Its present owner is Mons. Menier, of chocolate fame. This enterprising Frenchman claims something closely resembling sovereign rights on his island, and there has been some talk about his intending to make it over to France. He cannot do this; but there is some objection to any alien being allowed to occupy an island of such strategic importance. It might be possible for him to smuggle a few modern pieces of artillery ashore and make things interesting for a British fleet if it happened to come within range. Probably it would be rather difficult to do this, but it is well to guard against such possibilities. The law authorizes the minister of militia to take possession of any territory he may think necessary for purposes of defence, and it might not be a bad plan to take a prominent corner of Anticosti and keep a small force stationed there.

The Columbian calls the Semlin-Martins combination "the People's Reform Party," and says it feels very glad because it has instituted its paternal control of people who want to buy Crown lands. The Columbian has written the epitaph of the combination. Nothing ever lived in politics with a name bearing such initials. P. R. P.! It reminds one of a quick medicine—Patterson's Purgative Pellets, Pale Pellets for Pink People, and things like that. And by the way if ever there was quackery in politics, British Columbia is being treated to it now, and the notice lauded by the Columbian is a simple prescription.

It would be a mistake to base any conclusion as to the result of the Kaiser's visit to Palestine and Turkey upon the news telegrams. Outside of the simple incidents of the journey, these are of no value. Neither the Kaiser nor the Sultan proclaim his intentions from the house-tops. It will be very interesting to watch the political movement which will follow the visit. The Sultan is a past master in intrigue. If Germany has anyone who can match him at playing a double, and if necessary a three or four-sided game, he is not in evidence.

Apparently the Republicans are in control of the United States House of Representatives. The result does not appear to have any special significance. Perhaps the most interesting feature of the contest is the election of Colonel Roosevelt as governor of New York. This makes the gallant leader of the Rough Riders a presidential possibility for 1900. He is in many respects a remarkable man, and has shown himself fit for a great many lines of usefulness.

It will perhaps not be known very soon just why Great Britain got ready to fight a few days ago. Neither the Fashoda incident nor yet the alleged designs of Russia fully explain it. No one seems to have connected the call to arms with the probable failure of the peace negotiations between the United States and Spain, but there is a possibility that this may have something to do with it. There is clearly something in the wind that the newspapers have not been told.

The American Miller notes such a demand for what are called "health foods" that the demand for fine flours is perceptibly decreasing. It is suggested that a new grade of flour should be placed on the market which, while containing all the elements found in the coarser varieties, would present a better appearance to the eye and be free from any qualities which are objectionable.

A correspondent informs the Colonist that the Kuyukuk is in Alaska. The distance and directions given by persons who had been upon the river seemed to leave the matter open to question, but examination of the latest maps removes any doubt.

Captain Totten, of the United States army, is authority for the proposition that the world will come to an end on March 1, 1899. At least something is going to happen, he says, which will usher in a new order of things that will be highly satisfactory to those who have the good luck to survive.

Nelson demands a new post office, new custom house and new internal revenue office. In view of the enormous per capita amount which Kootenay pays into the Dominion revenue, it is difficult to name anything in this line which is ought not to have if it wants it.

Spain's very determined attitude in regard to the Philippines is disquieting. Have the French war preparations at Toulon any connection with it?

Victoria Theatre.—"The Pulse of New York" will be the attraction at the Victoria theatre tonight, receiving its first production here, notwithstanding the fact that it is now on its eighth remarkably successful tour. "The Pulse of New York" is one of those rare plays that pleases all sorts of people, endearing as it does, farce comedy, drama, and high class vaudeville. The piece is in three acts, and pictures life in a great city, with a really comic background, at the same time possessing a possible and consistent plot, any a score of quaint and interesting characters, all of which are faithfully portrayed and taken from life. The cast, which is a superior one in every respect, is headed by Miss Emily Barr, a sparkling star southerner, ably assisted by the comedy expert and dancing wonder, Mr. Frank G. Moore. Other specialties will be incidentally introduced, including the wonderful London baritone, Miss Madge Maitland.

A SUBSTANTIAL GAIN.

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THE ABERDEENS.

The amiability and courtesy which have marked his lordship's administration of the duties of his important office have endeared him to those with whom he has been brought in contact in the execution of those duties, and his departure from Ottawa will be sincerely regretted. No less will be the regret which Canadians will feel at being deprived at the present juncture of the Councils, who are so abundantly supplied with himself with the charitable institutions of the Dominion, the Local Council of Women, and the enterprise for the establishment of the Victorian Order of Nurses.—Ottawa Citizen.

MR. SIFTON'S SUCCESSOR.

Mr. Sifton has been offered the lieutenant-governorship of Manitoba. Whether he will accept or not remains to be seen. But Liberals are praying fervently that he will take it. Should Mr. Sifton do so he will be able to exercise more direct personal supervision of the editorial columns of the Winnipeg Free Press, which Events says he bought for \$42,000. As to who will succeed Mr. Sifton, a somewhat difficult thing to determine. Major Sutherland is the best man in sight, but Jim has already refused a portfolio and would not touch it with a ten foot pole. He evidently prefers to be the power behind the throne. Next to him comes Mr. McLeod, a former secretary of the work, and making the auditor-general's report his pillow, is surely entitled to some thing. But the trouble is the great West will not be satisfied with an Ontario man, so that Mr. McMullen will have to stand aside for the present. The present Manitoba situation, therefore, there is no one who would be regarded by either of the Liberal factions in the province as acceptable. Mr. Oliver is the ablest of Western men, and knows the country better than the great majority of people, but the strain of independence in his nature will shut him out also. To British Columbia, therefore, the premier will have to go, and it is said Mr. Bostock, owing to the length of his purse, his social connections and his friendship for the solicitor-general, may be the lucky man, although if ability is to be the criterion, Mr. Maxwell, Mr. Barrard, should be chosen. Mr. Maxwell, by the way, arrived in the city on Saturday.—Ottawa Citizen.

THE IMMIGRATION POLICY.

Our government has got it into its metaphorical head that Canada must have immigration. It is a little difficult to see how the importation of a lot of us who are here already. But the government imagines that it must bring somebody to Canada, and that immigration is something to the credit of the government—something to brag about. To that end the government is importing all manner of nasty foreigners in batches. It seems to be quite unable to secure decent people from the British islands, and feeling that there must be some immigration, it is importing gutter-snipes from London, and colonies of peculiar people of whom the old countries are proud to be rid.

In the meantime the boys of Canada are growing up. The bulk of them cannot get chances to learn trades, and when they do manage to acquire a trade they cannot find employment. Why doesn't the government import a lot of London gutter-snipes for whom the government has done and is doing much? Why should Canada spend money on the paupers of the richest country in the world, and let her own boys rustle for themselves? Do you think thousands of Canadian boys from the congested cities to the open prairie would be noble work indeed; but it wouldn't figure in the immigration reports. And the government must have something to figure in the immigration reports if it be obliged to import the gutter-snipes of Europe.—Hamilton Spectator.

THE FULL COURT.

Preliminary Objections Discussed in the Jardine vs. Ballen Appeal.

Mr. Cassidy concluded his argument yesterday on the appeal from Mr. Justice Macdonald's decision dismissing the motion to strike out the petition in the Jardine vs. Ballen election case. The full court is to hear the appeal, without calling on respondent's counsel—costs to be costs in the cause. Mr. Robert Cassidy, for the appellant; Mr. L. P. Duff for the petitioner (respondent).

A case depending on the construction of one of the sections of the Mineral Act was that of the appeal of Kaslo & Skeena Railway Company vs. Ball Mines Company. This appeal is from a decision of Mr. Justice Dyke that the company when taken up, for other than building purposes, is to be considered a mineral and may be located as such. The section reads in part that:

"Mineral shall mean all valuable deposits of gold, silver, etc., etc., and mineral pigments."

"Marble, granite, clay or any building stone shall not be considered as mineral within the meaning of this act."

Mr. Gordon Hunter, for appellants, argued yesterday that this section debars limestone from being considered under any case as mineral. Judgment was reserved. "The respondents were not represented."

Hunter vs. McMartin and Currie. White third party was argued. Mr. L. P. Duff appearing for the third party (appellant) and Mr. G. Wilson, Q.C., for defendants (respondents). The appeal was from the judgment of Judge Fera, which was set aside and the appeal allowed with costs including costs of the case below.

PEREMPTORY LIST FOR TO-DAY.

1. Regina vs. Sonner.
2. Callanan vs. George.
3. Hughes vs. Bethune.
4. Connell vs. Madden.
5. The Hux Mining Co.
6. Regina vs. Little.
7. Regina vs. Dick.

FILES CURED WITHOUT THE KNIFE BY DR. A. W. CHASE'S OINTMENT.

Mr. Geo. Browne, painter, of Woodville, Ont., Victoria Co., says:—"For thirteen years I was a sufferer from bleeding piles, and the intense agony which I passed through during those years and relief obtained by Chase's Ointment prompts me to give this testimonial. My physician wished me to have an operation but I felt I could be cured without the knife. Three boxes of Dr. Chase's Ointment stopped the bleeding and effected a permanent cure."

To get relief from indigestion, biliousness, constipation, or colds, without disturbing the stomach or purging the bowels, take a few doses of Carter's Little Liver Pills, they will please you.

NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the province of British Columbia at its next session for an act to incorporate a company with power to construct, equip, operate by any kind or kinds of motive power, and maintain a standard or track railway or either a standard or narrow gauge railway, for the purpose of conveying passengers and goods, including all kinds of merchandise, including a point on Taku Arm, in the District of Cassiar, in the Province of British Columbia, near where the waters of the Atlin River join those of the said Taku Arm, thence along the valley of the said Atlin River, on the northern side of said river, to a convenient point near where the said Atlin River flows from Atlin Lake, in the said district of Cassiar, with power to construct, equip, operate and maintain branch lines and all necessary roads, bridges, ways, ferries, steamboats, wharves, docks and coal bunkers; and with power to build, own, equip, operate and maintain telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway or railway, or branches of either, and with power to extend, build, own, equip, operate and maintain the said telegraph and telephone lines across Atlin Lake, thence along the valley of the Atlin River to a point at or near the outlet of Surprise Lake, in the said district, with power to construct, equip, operate and maintain branch lines in connection with the said telegraph and telephone line; and to build and operate all kinds of plant for the purpose of supplying light, heat, electricity or any kind of motive power, and with power to appropriate lands for the purposes of the company, and to acquire lands, bonuses, privileges or other companies or other persons, and with power to build wagon roads and trails to be used in the construction of the said works, and in advance of the same, and to levy and collect tolls from the parties using and on all freight or goods passing over any of such lines, and to be built by the company, whether built before or after the construction of the railway, telegraph or telephone lines, and with all other usual, necessary or incidental rights, powers or privileges as may be necessary or incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects or any of them.

Attest at Victoria, B. C., this 4th day of November, 1898.

J. P. WALLS,
Solicitor for Applicants.

Municipal Elections for 1898

The following persons are entitled to vote: namely:

FOR MAYOR.

Any person qualified to vote for aldermen is entitled to vote for Mayor.

FOR ALDERMEN.

The following persons are entitled to vote in any ward in which they may be registered as ratepayers, that is to say, any male or female being a British subject, and of the full age of twenty-one years and over:

(a) Who is the assessed owner of land or of improvements or the assessed occupier of lands situate within the municipality; or

(A1) Who is the representative, duly authorized by the directors of an incorporated company which is the assessed owner of lands or of improvements of lands situate within the municipality; or

(b) Who is a resident of and carries on business, and is the holder of a trades license in the municipality, the annual fee for which is not less than \$5.00, and who has paid on or before the 1st day of November, 1898, the full license fee therefor; or

(c) Who is a household within the municipality. "A household" is defined as a person who holds and occupies a messuage, dwelling or tenement, or any part or portion of a messuage, dwelling or tenement, within the municipality, paying therefor a rental or rent value of not less than \$60 per annum. Household must have paid all municipal rates, taxes and charges (exclusive of water rate or rent) on or before the 1st day of December, 1898, to entitle them to make the declaration as mentioned below, and in order to be included in the voters' list must, on or before the 1st day of December, 1898, enter their names with the assessor or clerk of the municipality as voters and make and personally deliver to the clerk or the assessor at the same time a statutory declaration as set out in sec. 6, sub-section (2) of the Municipal Elections Act. Forms of the said declaration may be obtained at the office of Mr. W. W. Northcott, assessor, City Hall.

No Chinese, Japanese or Indians are entitled to vote.

By order,
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15 dozen Men's Shirts, similar to above, only better qualities.
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18 dozen Laundered Percale Shirts, small neat patterns, two separate collars and cuffs, regular value \$1.25.
Friday 75c

112 yards Stair Carpet 5c. 110 yards Striped Carpet 5c.
Friday \$1.25

78 Grey Goat Skin Hearth Rugs, regular \$2.50
Friday \$1.25

120 pairs Ladies' Polished Calf Boots, sizes 3 to 7, both laced and buttoned, regular \$1.50.
Friday 75c

3 boxes Birds and Wings, regular 25c to 40c.
Friday 10c

150 Cloth Brushes, regular 50c.
Friday 10c

15 dozen Striped Turkish Towels, regular \$1.50 per dozen.
Friday 5c each

With these towels we shall sell 500 dozen Turkish Towels at \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00 per dozen, way below usual wholesale prices.

50 pieces Dress Trimming Braid, jet, etc., regular prices range from 15c to \$1.50 per yard.
Friday 5c

75 pairs Corsets and Waists, only 2 and 3 pairs of a kind, a good many were \$1.50, some \$1.75.
Friday 50c

40 pairs Fine French Contille Corsets, a shape we are giving up, regular \$2.50.
Friday 90c

100 Knitted Wool Shawls. This line is too good to give particulars, but we have marked them at just half the regular value.

Knitted Wool Skirts, fancy stripes, two special lines,
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The above bargains are intended for our customers. We shall not sell any to dealers, and only a reasonable quantity to each person.

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Merchants' lunch at Bank Exchange from 11:30 to 2:30, 25 cents.
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Art Squares, Brussels Squares, Wilton Squares and Seamless Tapestry Squares at Weller Bros.
Prof. Charles Gartner, B.A.—Vocal and instrumental music. Latest European methods. Studio, 85 Five Sisters block.
Messrs. Fred and Percy Richardson will entertain you at Institute hall sale of work Thursday evening.

New Books.—"Romance of Canvas Town," Bolderwood; "The Castle Inn," Stanley Weyman; "Hope the Hermit," Edna Lyall; and "War of the Worlds," Wells. The Victoria Book & Stationery Co. (late Jamieson's).

Go to the sale of work at Institute hall next Wednesday and Thursday evenings. Excellent entertainment.

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School Board Meeting.—A meeting of the board of school trustees will be held this evening at 8 at the council chamber of the city hall.

Chose the Assizes.—Adolph Sleur, found in possession of stolen property belonging to a surveyor's office in the Five Sisters block, came before Mr. Justice Martin yesterday for election, and chose the assizes.

A Case for the S. P. C. A.—In the city police court yesterday morning, John Smith, a hack-driver, was fined \$5 and costs for being drunk and disorderly on Government street. Smith had driven his team during Tuesday and from 9 in the evening until 3 in the morning, with but a short interval, had the horses standing on Government street, tied to a telephone pole. The police warned him to take them home, and on his failing to do so, sent them to a livery stable. This brought down the wrath of Smith on the whole police force, and his declaring the fact in loud and offensive tones led to his arrest. An ordinary drunk was convicted and discharged.

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Steamer Cutch will sail for Skagway and way ports on 10th instant.

Prince of Wales' Birthday.—Yesterday was the anniversary of the birth of Albert Edward, Prince of Wales, and in honor of the occasion the flag floated from the city hall staff.

Judge Banqueted.—Mr. Justice Martin was tendered a complimentary banquet by the Bar Association at the Mount Baker hotel last night.

Hospital Directors' Meet.—The fortnightly meeting of the directors of the Jubilee hospital is to be held at 8 p.m. to-morrow at the rooms of the Board of Trade.

Pioneers at Dinner.—The members of the British Columbia Pioneer Society are to hold their annual banquet and reunion this year on the evening of the 9th December, at the Occidental hotel.

Committed for Trial.—Capt. Owens was last night committed for trial on a charge of assault brought against him by W. W. Thomas. Bail was accepted in the sum of \$100.

Civil Service Exams.—The qualifying examination for the Dominion civil service was commenced yesterday and will be continued today. Five candidates writing. The optional subjects, shorthand, book-keeping and typewriting, will be taken up to-day and to-morrow.

Sale of work at Institute Hall this evening. Admission, 25 cents.

Chimney Fire.—About 7:30 last evening the fireman responded to a call from box 45, which took them to a chimney fire at the residence of Mr. Baker, Pembroke street. It was the second alarm given during the day; the first sounded at 2 o'clock, having been a false one.

May Be Repeated.—Mr. E. Firth and the choir of the West Victoria Methodist church, under his direction, are being urged to repeat their song service, "For the Master's Sake," which was given with so great success on Monday evening.

Pillaging Schooners.—Considerable pillaging has been going on along the coast during the past few weeks. Several of the fleet of at anchor in the upper harbor have been broken in and robbed of many articles of value. The Florence M. Smith was pillaged on Tuesday night, her cabin broken open, and several things belonging to the vessel taken.

Back From Their Honeymoon.—Frank D. Pelkey, station agent of the E. & N. at Duncan, left for the Sound with his bride on the City of Seattle yesterday morning, to spend at Honeycomb in the city of the Sound. They were married in Nanaimo on Tuesday morning by Rev. W. B. Cumming, the ceremony taking place in the Windsor hotel. The bride, whose maiden name was Miss Mabel S. Reeve, is a daughter of Mr. A. E. Reeve, of Spruce Lake, Alberni.

Sale of work at Institute Hall to-night; excellent entertainment.

The Persistent Rumor.—Rumor, which can never leave President James J. Hill, of the Great Northern, to his peace, yesterday had that gentleman credited with having assumed the management of the affairs of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company. If such a change has taken place, nothing whatever is known of it by the local agent of the company or of Goodall, Perkins & Co.

Church Weddings Yesterday.—Two pretty but unostentatious church weddings were celebrated in Victoria yesterday. At St. James the rector, Rev. J. H. S. Sweet, assisted by Rev. Charles E. Panter, M.A., chaplain of the flagship, united in marriage Mr. T. Nevill Woodgate, the charge in charge of the works at H. M.'s naval yard, Esquimalt, and Miss Georgina Augusta Bowden, daughter of the late W. J. Bowden, of this city. At St. John's the officiating clergyman was Rev. Percival Jones, and the bridesmaids were Mrs. J. H. Smith (with Miss H. Ross & Co.) and Miss Christian Telford. Mr. F. L. Smith gave away the bride, who was supported by her sister, Miss Maria, while Mr. Wm. Rennie acted as best man. Mr. and Mrs. Smith spend their honeymoon over the Sound.

Got the Wrong Check.—The city police yesterday had to deal with a parallel for which has not been found as far as Victoria is concerned. Among the large number of men employed at the Albion Iron Works were two by the name of Stevens—one James B. Stevens, the other William Stevens. The latter is a mechanic and his wages for the month amounted to \$92. James B., being but a helper and not having worked full time, had but \$25 due him. Yesterday was pay-day at the works, and by a mistake James B. was handed William Stevens' check for \$92. The latter came along, and, being handed the \$92, he took it and made a "roar," as the boys would say, leading to the discovery of the error and the arrest of James B. Stevens. No charge, however, was entered against him, the case being settled out of court.

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Basket Ball.—The game played last night between the Wasps and the Swifts resulted in a win for the former by a score of 10 points to 1. The Wasps played the game in a grand form and played a bright, quick, combination game. They played practically the same team as last season. The Swifts on the other hand are a team composed principally of men who are just being initiated into the game, so that the result was not unexpected. They played a hard game, but are a little slow as yet. However, they possess very good material and will no doubt, with continued practice, make a creditable showing. A large number of the fair sex, admirers of the Wasps, showed their enthusiasm by wildly waving flags bearing the Wasps' colors. The next league game will take place on Friday evening commencing at 8:15 sharp. The opposing teams will be the James Bays and No. 3 company. The James Bays are last year's champions, and as No. 3 company possesses a strong and well balanced team a veritable "battle of giants" is expected. The inter-districts of the Fifth regiment and the Wasps will play during the band concert on Saturday evening.



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A LOVER OF LIBERTY

Ah Loy Escaped From the Provincial Jail Yesterday Morning.

His Second Successful Break From the Strong Arm of the Law.

The next time that the police get hold of Ah Loy it is probable that they will keep their eyes on him. That wily Chinese was arrested during the last week of October on a charge of vagrancy, for which he was sent to the provincial gaol to do hard work for a month. Ah Loy likes nothing worse than work and he shows his dislike for it even under the watchful eyes of the police and guard.

While in the city lockup awaiting trial he made a bold break for liberty, taking advantage of an open door to make his escape. On that occasion, he did not know the man he had to deal with, Constable Abel being in charge of the lockup, and his freedom was short lived, consisting simply of a run through the dark alleys of Chinatown and back on to Government street, where he was overtaken by the officer.

Yesterday Ah Loy made a more successful break for liberty, in fact his whereabouts are still unknown to the police. He was at work in the yard at the provincial gaol and waiting for a fair opportunity made a jump for the high fence and was over it in far less time than it takes to tell the tale.

The guard gave chase but unfortunately became entangled in a barbed wire fence and before he could disengage himself the Chinaman had sought the conclusion of the woods. He had no iron on and was therefore able to make a good run for it.

This is not the first time that this same native of the Flowery Kingdom has escaped the police, although it was not until he had left the city lockup that his identity was disclosed. It was on the way to the provincial gaol after Ah Loy had been sentenced for vagrancy that Constable Carter recognized the prisoner as a man who had escaped from him three years ago. He had arrested him in Chinatown and was taking him to the lockup when the Chinaman although handcuffed, made his escape.

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The inquest on Henry Smith's body was held yesterday, and while the jury, from the evidence, had no option but to bring in a verdict that the killing was done by a person unknown, there is not the least doubt that Hammond was the murderer. There were six seven witnesses examined, among them George Smith, the victim's father. He identified a number of articles found on Hammond's body, and also from the photographs were positively that the man whose body was found by Dr. Kirk near Esquimalt was Hammond. The padlock which closed the cabin in which lay Smith's body, and the key found in Hammond's pocket had been given by the witness to Hammond. Then, too, Hammond was traced from the ranch to Esquimalt. He had been seen on October 23 going from the shack; the next Thursday he was at Louis Duval's at the Royal Oak, and the same day at the Burnside hotel; and on the next night stopped at the Esquimalt hotel, his body being found on the 31st October by Dr. Kirk.

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THE MUSICAL SEASON

November Witnesses Its Initiation
With Two Important Society
Events.

Private and Public Singing Clubs
—Preparations for Amateur
Opera.

The autumn musical season is almost upon us, and in many respects it promises to be unique, quite outclassing previous ones, not only in the variety of the performances to be given, but in their quantity. Certainly in the past two or three years musical development in Victoria has proceeded by leaps and bounds, and it may be doubted whether in any other city of equivalent size in the country there exist as many musical societies of high standard or as much material to work upon.

For permanent fixtures the musical public have in the Arion Club, and more recently the Choral Union, and while advancing are in no way impeding their usefulness, it is a matter for congratulation that performances, by these excellent institutions are to be supplemented by regular subscription concerts to be given by the Philharmonic Society. From time to time Mr. F. V. Austin's voice has been associated with the most brilliant performances by chorus and orchestra, which, it cannot be denied, have given a strong impetus to the development of orchestral playing and drawn general attention to a sphere of music hitherto neglected. Borne of these successes, and backed up by the recognition it received at its initial concert in July, the Philharmonic Society has established itself on a secure basis by issuing a limited number of subscription tickets, and proposes to give three concerts. November will witness the first, and it will also be the Arion Club. The Choral Union, it is understood, are at present rehearsing Gounod's "Rose Maiden," a cantata for mixed voices.

In passing, it might not be out of place to deplore the fact that one or two private clubs of unusual dimensions have recently sprung into being. Their object, of course, is to provide an entertainment for persons belonging to certain sets, in order to avoid assisting public institutions where membership is open to all classes. There can be no possible objection to a few friends meeting at their different homes and enjoying concerted singing, but when it comes a matter of canvassing for and obtaining some 50 or 60 voices, it creates a stumbling block to the advancement of public societies.

And for this reason: There are at present in Victoria three public organizations possessing considerable funds, and many who belong to each—rehearsals held on different nights rendering this possible—to say nothing of the various choir practices which consume Friday evenings. When, therefore, a large private club steps in, offering social inducements that must necessarily be non-existent in a public one, there can be no question but that the latter must suffer. It is a matter for regret that local musicians are not more public-spirited in this respect.

To return to our muttons, if the purely musical fixtures promised are more considerable than in previous years, it must not be forgotten that very little allusion has been made to the approaching operatic season. It seems rather startling, but nevertheless the fact remains that no less than three operas are to be given. Perhaps it is to be regretted that there should be a drain on amateur voices all at one time, but if the confident countenances of the different executives go for anything, it would seem that Victoria is equal to the emergency, and that Anglo-Saxon grit is going to work wonders. There can be nothing but commendation to develop esprit de corps, and the fact that the rivalry is a good-natured one is not likely to lessen it.

Fresh from their "Geisha" successes, Messrs. Cooper and Finn and their associates are to put on "The Pearl of Pekin," and it goes without saying that this semi-professional combination will still further distinguish themselves. De Koven's "Robin Hood," and Gilbert and Sullivan's "Iolanthe" are now under rehearsal by purely amateur aggregations. The former is to be given under the musical direction of Mr. F. V. Austin and the stage management by Finch-Smith, in aid of the B. C. Benevolent Society. Mr. Austin has been identified with successes in amateur opera in New Westminster and Vancouver, and in his stage manager he should have an efficient condottiero. "Robin Hood" is a particularly melodramatic opera, the music being not altogether unknown to Victorians, the popular Arion Club having introduced several of the choruses at their concerts. If it will interest the timid ones, it may be stated that the ladies in the chorus are not supposed to wear tights. "Iolanthe" is a lighter undertaking by Miss Marrack, and it is thought that a strong cast has been obtained. Certainly Miss Marrack has some excellent voices among her pupils to draw on.

B. FLAT.

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WALTER-WILSON.
Marriage of a Popular Officer of the
"Egeria" to a Daughter of Rev.
E. F. Wilson.

The marriage of Miss Winifred Wilson, third daughter of Rev. E. F. Wilson, to Lieutenant Frederic H. Walter, of H.M.S. Egeria, eldest son of Major F. E. Walter, late R.I.A., took place on Tuesday, 8th November, in St. Mary's church, Salt Spring Island. The ceremony was performed by His Lordship the Bishop of Columbia, assisted by Rev. C. E. Cooper, rector of St. Matthew's church, Wellington.

The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a white Duchesse satin dress, trimmed with lace and pearl embroidery, tulle veil and orange blossoms. Her sisters, the Misses Florence and Nora Wilson, were her bridesmaids, and wore dresses of sheer white organdy, trimmed with Valenciennes lace over foundations of pale pink and yellow, with picture hats of white velvet, trimmed with chiffon and ostrich plumes. The bridegroom gave them pearl pins and bouquets of yellow and pink chrysanthemums. The bridegroom, with his best man, Lieutenant Ferris N. Grant, and groomsmen, Lieutenant Geoffrey Speer Simson, were in full uniform.

Montedison's "Wedding March" and the hymns "The Voice That Breathed O'er Eden," "Thine For Ever, God of Love," and "Lead Us, Heavenly Father, Lead Us," were beautifully played by Mrs. Gerald Baker. The church was very prettily decorated for the occasion with ferns and flowers, and the brightness of the scene was greatly enhanced by the uniforms of the officers and the cheery faces of the sailors of H.M.S. Egeria, who lined the aisle and greeted the bride and bridegroom with showers of rice as they left the church.

After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Wilson received their guests, amongst whom were Bishop Perrin, Commander Morris H. Smyth, the officers of H.M.S. Egeria, Mr. and Mrs. Beaver-Potts, of Nanaimo, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Fletcher, Rev. and Mrs. Roberts and party, of Kuper Island, and many others.

Later on the bridal party drove to Vesuvius Bay, where the bride and bridegroom went on board of the City of Nanaimo, which, through the courtesy of the manager of the E. & N. company had waited for them. Mr. Wilson had departed for the bay, with a beautiful wreath thirty feet in circumference suspended between the masts. As the City of Nanaimo steamed out, the signal "Good luck and best wishes" was made, the wreath was dipped, and the sailors, swarming into the rigging, cheered Lieutenant and Mrs. Walter as only British sailors can.

The wedding guests then spent the remainder of the afternoon on board the vessel, where they were hospitably entertained by the captain and officers. Mr. and Mrs. Walter will spend a week at Nanaimo, where Mr. and Mrs. Beaver-Potts have kindly lent them their residence, after which they will visit Vancouver before returning to Esquimalt.

Among the presents were the following: Gold bracelet, set with turquoise and diamonds, Major F. E. Walter.
Silver and gold case, Mrs. F. E. Walter.
Silver, Mr. Robert Walter.
Diamond and turquoise ring, bridegroom to bride.

Check, Rev. E. F. Wilson.
Check, Mrs. E. F. Wilson.
Hull rack and sofa cushions, Miss Beatrice Walter.
Set of carvers and tea cloth, Miss Emily Walter.
Check, Colonel H. B. Urnston.
Silver cream jug, Mrs. Barham.
Silver, Mr. F. B. Wilson.
Silver pepper pots, Rev. C. E. and Mrs. Cooper.
Check, Mr. T. Walter.
Silver photo frame, Mr. Edmund Walter.
Silver match box, Mr. Cecil Walter.
Check, Mr. and Mrs. Willink.
Rosetti's poems, Miss Edith Walter.
Check, Mr. A. B. Urnston.
Set of carvers, Mr. and Mrs. Willis.
Check, Mr. and Mrs. Seth-Smith.
Silver writing table set, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Urnston.
Check, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Cropper.
Drawing-room chair, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Fletcher.
Silver-topped vase, Mrs. George Desbarats.
Silver-backed brush and comb, Messrs. Nelson and Keith Wilson.
Silver manure set and button hook, Miss Florence Wilson.
Check, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Scott.
Silver nut crackers, Miss Nora Wilson.
Bicycle, Lieutenant W. O. Boothby, R.N.
Check, Miss Hart.
Pearl and turquoise brooch, Mr. and Mrs. Beaver-Potts.
Silver tea pot, Mr. T. Hayles, R.N.
Gold links and front stud, Lieutenant G. Speer Simson, R.N.
Silver sugar bowl, cream jug and books, Lieutenant Ferris N. Grant, R.N.
Silver ladle, Mr. Hugh Hanson.
Silver sugar spoon, Miss Edith Martin.
Silver afternoon tea set, set of silver spoons and silver tray, the officers of H. M. S. Egeria.
Silver toast rack, Mrs. Somerville.
Silver cruet, Commander M. H. Smyth, R.N.
Check, Mrs. Dupont.
Silver-topped scent bottle, Mrs. Collins.
Silver candlestick, Miss Collins.
Silver fish knives and forks, Mr. Leonard Tolson and Mr. Robert Shaw.
Prayer and hymn book, the Bishop of Columbia.
Vase, Mrs. Brown.
Silver shoe horn, glove and button hook, Mr. Crofton.
Silver box, Miss Edna Green.
Silver stud box, Mrs. Holmes.
Limoges cups and saucers, Miss Alice Baynes-Reed.
Embroidered toilet set, Miss Amy Baynes-Reed.
Cushion, Miss Worlock.
Zambroider centre piece, Miss Baynes-Reed.
Silver puff box, Mr. and Mrs. William Scott.
Silver knife rests, Dr. and Mrs. Baker.
Silver sugar basin, Major and Mrs. Craig.
Silver shoe horn, Mrs. Roberts.
Silver salt cellars, Miss Perrin.
Silver button hook, Miss Roberts.

KINSEY RELIEF FUND.

Over Four Hundred Dollars Now Collected
For the Late Fireman's
Family.

Yesterday's contributions to the fund for the widow and family of Fireman Kinsey brought the total well over the \$400 mark. The fund now stands as below:

No. 1 Fire Hall—	
Previously acknowledged	\$125.00
"Friends"	3.00
No. 2 Fire Hall—	
Previously acknowledged	128.75
Emil Pfedner	50
Theo. Lubbe	5.00
No. 3 Fire Hall—	
Previously acknowledged	78.30
Colinist Office—	
Previously acknowledged	51.50
W. J. Macdonald	5.00
Harry Swartz	50
G. B. D.	1.00
W. D. Exmouth	5.00
Total	\$413.55

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THE STREET BUZZ SAYS

Why It Is That Their Mosquito-
Like Hum Is Still to Be
Heard.

Council Unable to Stop Them and
Will Not Make Stricter
Regulations.

Now that the citizens have begun to grow alive to the necessity and advantage of Victoria putting on a tidier and more "civilized" look there is being raised again the question of how it is that something cannot be done to put a stop to the perpetual buzz saw or street wood cutting machine. It seems to many that without much trouble arrangements could be made whereby the machines could be relegated to the yards of their owners or custodians and that instead of the machines occupying a place on the public street, the wood should be taken to them to be sawed. This would be pleasanter than to be wakened up in the morning with a buzz-z-z that sets one's teeth on edge and to know that it is your neighbor who is having his wood cut. Then in spite of all precautions there cannot fail to be remnants of sawdust and wood on the street after the machine has buzzed itself away to another part of the town. Some careful householders say that they like to have their wood cut in front of their own doors as then they can have a better chance to see that they get the full tale of a cord or half cord or whatever amount they purchase.

However, what is the matter with a regulation prescribing that the "box of a cart delivering wood should be a certain size, just big enough to hold a cord or half cord as the case may be? Then it would be very easy to see by a glance at the delivery wagon whether the whole amount was delivered.

It will be remembered that the grand jury at the spring assizes condemned the use of these machines on the street as a nuisance, the presentment of the jury containing the following paragraph: "We consider that the public streets and thoroughfares are not the proper places for wood sawing machines to be operated and we are at a loss to understand why an exception should be made in favor of these machines, especially in view of the fact that they are a menace to the safety of the public."

The terrible accident by which a young man operating one of these machines lost his life by the bursting of the fly wheel is fresh in the public mind, and several complaints have been sent in to the city council about the alarm caused to horses by these sawing machines. It was in response to some of these complaints that Ald. MacGregor brought in an amendment to the streets by-law to stop the cutting of wood by these machines on the public streets. The matter came up in the council on May 30 and the next night the whole thing was threshed out.

It appears, however, that the Municipal Councils act, while giving the power to the city to regulate street sawing machines, does not confer the power on the council to do away with them altogether. Hence Ald. MacGregor's amendment had to be withdrawn. However, he made another move to have the regulations which now prevent the machines from cutting within the fire limits except between 5 and 9 a.m., apply to the whole city, and, however, he was unsuccessful. The Mayor, Ald. MacGregor, McCandless, Humphrey and Wilson voted to bring about the proposed amendment, but Ald. Kinsman, Hall, Humbert, Phillips and Williams opposed it and so the vote was lost and the old order of things still prevails.

It might not be a bad plan for the city, at the next session of the legislature when municipal amendments are up, to get power to prohibit sawing machines operating on the street, or perhaps next year the move will not be checked as it was this year in the council.

MARINE MOVEMENTS.

The Willapa Leaves For the Coast Full
of Passengers and Freight.

The Willapa was a day late in leaving for West Coast points yesterday evening, the delay being due to the rains of the previous day, which prevented her loading cargo. She was almost full of freight on sailing, and carried on deck a large boiler for sawmill being erected at Alberni. Her passengers, were Miss McPherson, Miss Beedling, Joseph Glass, C. M. Allen, Capt. Healey, Mrs. Grayson, J. Hearney and E. Bailey. On this trip the Willapa carries a new purser, Mr. Brewster having been transferred to the Queen City and Mr. Paddon appointed in his stead.

MARINE NOTES.

Steamer Queen arrived from San Francisco last evening with freight consignments to the amount of 100 tons for Victoria. She also brought a large number of passengers for this city.

The steamer Laura, which replaces the City of Seattle temporarily on the Northern run, went up for the first time under her new flag yesterday. She did not call at Victoria.

H. M. survey ship Egeria returned to Esquimalt yesterday after a long absence. Since her departure she has been engaged along the eastern coast of the island, in the vicinity of Vancouver and later at Nanaimo.

Upwards of three score and ten Chinese from this city will go west to the East by the Empress of Japan to-day, to spend their New Year in the land of their birth. There are also two saloon passengers, ticketed from last J. H. Moldram for Nagasaki and Miss Kate A. Baird for Calcutta.

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WYLER STOLE A MILLION.
Such Is the Story Told by Prisoners at
Manila—Excesses of American
Soldiers.

Manila, Sept. 26, via San Francisco, Nov. 3.—Direct evidence connecting General Wyler, of Cuban fame and memory, with the wholesale looting of the Philippine treasury, has been unearthed in the Billbid prison and books of the treasury, and Maximiano Rosales and Julian Reyes, sent to prison as scapegoats for vice-regal thieves, have been liberated. Deliverance came too late for a third prisoner, convicted on perjured testimony of the same crime, for he died in Billbid eight days before the American army entered the city.

When Captain Moffett, superintendent of the prisons, began his investigation of the cases of the prisoners confined in Billbid, Rosales and Reyes declared that they were unjustly suffering for the crimes of others, and begged that their cases be reopened. They averred that Wyler and his associates had looted the treasury of about \$1,300,000 in Mexican silver, and that they had been accused the crime and sent to jail.

Moffett's report of the startling claim to General MacArthur, and an examination of the books at the treasury was ordered. The latter showed that during the Wyler regime several immense sums of money had been withdrawn, and there was an unsatisfactory showing as to the disposition of it. No attempt had been made apparently to cover up the entire amount, and the deficit was explained by the arrest of Rosales and his two companions, and their conviction on a charge of theft.

Rosales was submitted to a series of careful examinations, and there was an examination of every circumstance possible to establish or disprove his story. The officers who handled the case are not sure that Rosales, and possibly Reyes, did not receive a liberal cash reward for taking the blame and facing the disgrace of felony. Rosales has ample means, and his cell in Billbid was made comfortable during his stay in it. The officers are convinced, however, that there has been a grand conspiracy to rob the colonial safe, and that Wyler and other high officials got the bulk of the money.

ROSALLES' STORY.

Rosales was one of the cashiers at the treasury, and he goes so far as to declare Wyler himself came to the treasury to aid in the crime. He asserts that he was forced to stand at attention while the imperial robber helped himself to the cash. At the time of the robbery there was an ugly scandal, and Rosales asserts that but for the necessity of appeasing the disgusted people, he would not have been arrested and sent to jail. He asserted further that the facts were quite generally known, and offered to rest his case on the testimony of some of his fellow clerks and others who were familiar with the facts. Rosales was not given the usual legal character by the testimony, which was severely taken, but that tended to confirm his story.

It was decided, in addition to freeing Rosales and Reyes, to make a full investigation of the case, with a view to establishing the facts. The two prisoners have just been turned loose on the following special order:

"Office of the Military Governor in the Philippine Islands, Manila, P. I., September 21, 1898.—Special Order No. 1: After an investigation of the cases of Maximiano Rosales and Julian Reyes, prisoners in confinement in one of the prisons of this city, convicted and sentenced by the Spanish authorities in 1894 to a term of penal servitude of four years and two months, on charges of malfeasance in office and purloining public funds, and upon the recommendation of the provost marshal general of the city, who has most carefully considered these cases on their merits, in connection with their long confinement and physical condition, that clemency be shown, a full pardon to the prisoners herein named is hereby granted, and it is ordered that they be released from confinement operating on the streets and be restored to liberty."

"By command of Major-General Otis." Wyler has long been credited with stealing a fortune here during his administration, but was always believed to have possessed more finesse as a robber than as a highwayman.

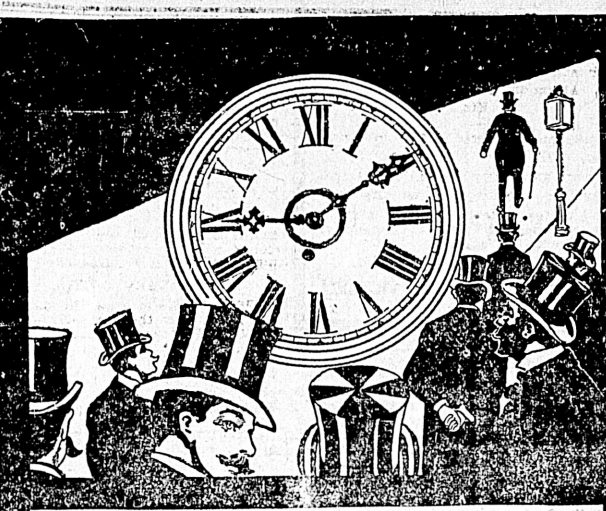
Moffett continues to unearth shocking cases of injustice in the local prisons, and has already freed 1,100 out of 2,900 prisoners. There are two other colonial penitentiaries in other parts of the island, and while they are outside of the city and American sovereignty, Moffett is making change of them and freeing the innocent.

SOLDIERS' SHAMEFUL CONDUCT.

The army of occupation, or at least the army without occupation, has been on the verge of a sensation for several days. Discipline has dropped very low, and soldiers and morals lower, and a few days ago General Otis, disgusted at the state of affairs, drafted a scorching order that would have shaken the corps from top to bottom. There was a conference on it, and General MacArthur and Adj. Gen. Weyler are said to have strongly advised against its promulgation.

Otis is said to have temporarily withdrawn the order, but to be bent on its issuance if the situation does not improve. The issuance of the order would strip some heroic figures of the army of their well-earned reputations, and would write a chapter in the story of this invasion that would not be edifying.

Otis is thoroughly stirred up over the unnumbered lack of discipline and common sense, of drunkenness and disorder on the public streets and in public resorts, and says that there will be no more leniency. The gauds on the streets have been reinforced, but they do not seem to do their duty. The moral effect of the situation is disheartening to Americans. One might search for a week for a drunken Filipino, and an hour for a drunken Spaniard, but they are not to be had. Money is running short, however, and there will be a lull until the next pay day.



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